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REMARKS

Applicant replies to the Office Action mailed on July 12, 2005 within the shortened statutory period for reply. Claims 1-11 and 32-34 remain pending in this application. No new matter is added by these amendments. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

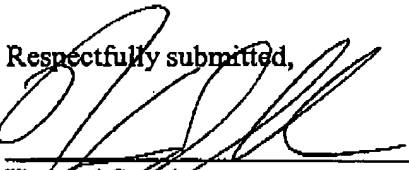
Applicant thanks the Examiner for the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 1-11 and 32-34.

The Examiner rejects claims 1-11 and 32-34 under 35 U.S.C. § 112 because "a first identified operating flight" is not supported by the specification and for a lack of consistency of wording. Applicant amends independent claims 1, 32 and 34 for wording consistency and to clarify the antecedent basis. Claims 2-11, 33 and 34 depend from independent claims 1 and 32, so claims 2-11, 33 and 34 are allowable based on the amendments to independent claims 1 and 32.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully submits that all of the pending claims fully comply with 35 U.S.C. § 112 and are allowable over the prior art of record. Reconsideration of the application and allowance of all pending claims is earnestly solicited. Should the Examiner wish to discuss any of the above in greater detail or deem that further amendments should be made to improve the form of the claims, then the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the Examiner's convenience. Applicant authorizes and respectfully requests that any fees due be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-2814, including any required extension fees.

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Respectfully submitted,


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